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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-7, 9, and 12 are allowed.

Independent claim 1 is directed towards a rewinding method for HITS stream and recites "...displaying the first one or more pictures in reverse from play order, while storing the first decoded reference picture, wherein the first decoded reference picture precedes an entry point picture for the group of pictures; storing a second decoded reference picture from the group of pictures; decoding a second one or more pictures from the group of pictures; displaying the second one or more pictures in reverse from play order; storing a third decoded reference picture from the group of pictures; decoding a third one or more pictures; and displaying the third one or more pictures in reverse from play order..." which is a feature that is not anticipated nor obvious over the art of record. Independent claim 4 is the corresponding system for rewinding a HITS stream and recites "...a display engine for displaying the first, second, and third one or more pictures from the group of pictures in reverse from play order; and wherein the image buffer stores the first, second, and third decoded reference pictures while displaying the first one or more pictures, the second one or more pictures and the third one or more pictures in reverse from play order..." which is a feature that its not anticipated nor obvious over the art of record. Dependent claims 2-3, and 5-7, 9, and 12 are allowed for the reasons concerning the independent claims.

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Conclusion

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